

State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
1416 Ninth Street
P.O. Box 942896
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

PROJECT TITLE: Historic Orchard Fuel Break and Pruning

LOCATION: Jack London State Historic Park

COUNTY: Sonoma

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Cut and mulch competing native vegetation from within the historic fruit orchard at Jack London State Historic Park's Sonoma Developmental Center orchard with a piece of heavy equipment such as a 'brush hog' to reduce competing fuel and expose the historic orchard trees for subsequent pruning. A historic orchard expert will supervise all pruning. This project will have no impact on archeological resources; however, in the event that previously undocumented cultural resources are encountered during project activities work within the immediate vicinity of the find will be temporarily halted or diverted until a DPR-qualified cultural resource specialist has evaluated the find and implemented appropriate treatment and disposition of the artifact(s). Project will protect the historic orchard, a cultural resource.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Diablo Vista District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 4 Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of minor alterations in the condition of land and vegetation that will not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees (included as "resource management projects" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4).

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